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**BENTON TOWN OFFICERS**

**MODERATOR**                      **TOWN CLERK and COLLECTOR**

Ira E. Elliott

Floyd J. Hutchins

**SELECTMEN**

Walter J. Yeaton, John Boutin, I. E. Elliott "R",  
Herman A. Morrill

**HIGHWAY AGENTS**

John E. Cox "R", Napoleon Boutin "A", Ernest T. Page

**TREASURERS**

John E. Cox "R"

Edith J. Yeaton "A"

**SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST**

Harry H. Elliott Charles C. Tyler Stephen H. Dexter

**SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER**

Floyd J. Hutchins George N. Belyea

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Frances Cox John Cox "R" Catherine Eastman

**CONSTABLE**

Carl G. Eastman

**LIBRARIAN**

Catherine Eastman

**FENCE VIEWERS**

Kendrick Howe "D" Victor A. Brooks

**THE POUND KEEPER**

Bernard A. Cox

**SCHOOL BOARD**

Ira E. Elliott

Edith J. Yeaton

Ione Cox

"A" Appointed "R" Resigned "D" Deceased

## TOWN WARRANT

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### State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Benton qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, the thirteenth, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

Article 1 To choose a Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for two years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for two years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Library Trustee for two years, a Town Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Collector, one or more Highway Agents not to exceed three, and all other necessary Town Officers and Agents for the ensuing year.

Art. 2 To hear the Reports of Officers and Agents heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 3 To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Officers salaries and expenses for the repair, maintenance and construction of highways and bridges, for the observance of Memorial Day, and for all other necessary town charges and expenses for the ensuing year.

Art. 4 To see what action the Town will take in regard to securing State aid for highways, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for that purpose.



Art. 5 To see what action the town will take to authorize the Selectment to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 6 To see what action the town will take in regard to keeping the Town Highways open for motor traffic during the winter season including removing of snow and sanding and to make the necessary appropriations therefor.

Art. 7 To see if the Town will vote to dispense with delivery of the Inventory Blanks until April first.

Art. 8 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this eighth day of February, A. D., 1934.

WALTER J. YEATON,  
JOHN BOUTIN,  
HERMAN A. MORRILL,

Selectmen of Benton

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

Walter J. Yeaton  
John Boutin  
Herman A. Morrill

Selectmen of Benton

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the  
Ensuing year, February 1, 1934, to February 1, 1935,  
compared with

Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous  
year, February 1, 1933, to February 1, 1934.

	actual 1933	est'm'd 1934
<b>Sources of Revenue</b>		
<b>FROM STATE:</b>		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 8.80	\$ 5.00
Railroad Tax	34.75	30.00
Abatement State Tax	726.01	700.00
Savings Bank Tax	54.97	50.00
National Forest Reserve	61.25	50.00
<b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:</b>		
Rent Town Hall	\$ 6.00	
Interest on Taxes	61.03	
Dog Licenses	71.33	60.00
Income Trust Funds	243.75	230.00
Interest John Cox Note	7.28	7.28
Auto Permits	199 37	190.00
<b>FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES</b>		
Poll Taxes	148.00	150.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>		
	\$1622.54	\$1472.28
<b>Amount Raised by Property Taxes:</b>		
	2889.16	2628.58
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	\$4511.70	\$4100.86
Decrease	\$150.26	

Purposes of Expenditures	actual	est'm'd
Current Maintenance Expenses:	1933	1934

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$267.15	\$275.00
Town Officers' Expenses	88.29	95.00
Election and Registration Expenses	49.50	95.00
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	15.00	20.00

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY

Police Department	11.75	5.00
Fire Department	12.00	

## HEALTH:

Health Department	5.00	5.00
Vital Statistics	3.00	3.00

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:

Town Maintenance	603.06	700.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	639.26	600.00

## LIBRARIES:

Libraries	30.00	12.00
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## PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:

Memorial Day	2.88	20.00
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## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

Cemeteries	96.50	50.00
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## INTEREST:

On Temporary Loans	11.11	30.00
On Long Term Notes	51.25	

Outlay for New Construction and  
Permanent Improvements:

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

State Aid Construction		
Town's Share	241.54	250.00

## Indebtedness

Long Term Notes	1000.00	
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**Payments to Other Governmental Divisions**

State Taxes	325.00	325.00
County Taxes	315.86	315.86
Payments to School Districts	1300.00	1300.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$5068.15</b>	<b>\$4100.86</b>
 Decrease	 \$967.29	

**INVENTORY OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1933**

Lands and Buildings	\$123,633.00
Electric Plants including pole line	28,750.00
Horses (30)	1,780.00
Oxen (2)	100.00
Cows (171)	7,020.00
Neat stock (54)	1,275.00
Sheep (1)	4.00
Fowl (15)	15.00
Gasoline Pumps (3)	525.00
Stock in Trade	285.00

Total Valuation	\$163,387.00
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Polls, (101) @ \$2.00	\$202.00
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Amount of taxes committed to Collector including Poll and Property	\$3089.86
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Tax Rate	\$1.77
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**APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1933**

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Town Officers salaries	\$275.00
Town Officers expenses	100.00
Election and Registration	20.00
Town Hall, including dinners, meeting, 1934	25.00
Police Department and care of Tramps	20.00
Health Department	5.00
Vital Statistics	2.50
State Aid Construction	253.50
Town Highways	700.00
Snow Removal	500.00
Libraries	12.00
Memorial Day Exercises	20.00
Cemeteries	50.00
State Tax	325.00
County Tax	315.86
Schools	1,185.00

**TOTAL TOWN and SCHOOL**

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APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,808.86
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**Less Estimated Revenue and Credits**

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 9.00	
Railroad Tax	35.00	
Savings Bank Tax	50.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	225.00	
Forest Reserve	200.00	
Trust Funds	200.00	719.00

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Net amount to be raised by taxation	3089.86
Less Poll Taxes	202.00

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Amount to be raised by taxation on tax rate figured	2887.86
Plus Poll Taxes	202.00

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Total Taxes Committed To Tax Collector	\$3089.86
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### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$2000.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
Town Clerk's Building	200.00
Furniture and Equipment	50.00
Highway Equipment including Road	
Machines and Snow Plow	400.00
School House, Land, Buildings, Equipment	1800.00
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	\$4650.00

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The following lists of unpaid taxes are printed in this report at the urgent request of the State Tax Commission.

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The following is a list of Uncollected Poll Taxes for the year 1933.      Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector.

Boutin Joseph Jr.	\$2.00	Locke Tony	2.00
Collins Leander A	2.00	Locke Ethel	2.00
Elliott Ira E	2.00	Rollins Clifton	2.00
Elliott Margaret	2.00	Ramsey George	2.00
Elliott John	2.00	Corey W	2.00
Elliott Mildred	2.00	Hadley George	2.00
Jones William	2.00	Palmer James	2.00
Rollins F O	2.00	Gilman John	2.00
Page E G	2.00	Gilman Louise	2.00

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Total	\$36.00
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Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector.



The following is a list of Uncollected Property Taxes for the year 1933 and the names of those against whom they were assessed.

Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector

	Taxes due	Int. due	Total
V A Brooks	\$ 3.28	.05	\$ 3.33
Ella Brooks Est.	7.08	.12	7.20
G K Blake	23.01	.38	23.39
L A Collins	19.47	.32	19.79
J E Cox	18.97	1.25	20.22
Clough Bros.	17.70	.29	17.99
Mary Leonard Crowell	47.79	.79	48.58
S H Dexter	46.37	.94	47.31
Ira E Elliott	24.07	.40	24.47
Lillian French	.89	.01	.90
Paul L Ford	21.24	.35	21.59
K L Howe Est.	8.85	.14	8.99
Yvonne L Hauser	31.86	.53	32.39
H A Morrill	23.79	.39	24.18
George Martin	17.70	.29	17.99
Tony Locke	21.59	.36	21.95
L W and L M Noxon	24.78	.41	25.19
E T Page	39.29	.65	39.94
N J Page Est.	67.70	1.12	68.82
Mamie Pearson Pike	104.43	1.74	106.17
W Powers	2.30	.04	2.34
A Pfuderer	1.77	.02	1.79
A E Tyler	2.66	.04	2.70
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	\$576.59	\$10.63	\$587.22

The following is a list of Uncollected Property Taxes for the year 1932. Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector

	Taxes due	Int. due	Total
L H Parker Est.	\$18.70	\$2.18	\$20.88
W Powers	2.43	.28	2.71
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	\$21.13	\$2.46	\$23.59

Poll Taxes Uncollected for the year 1932

Brooks V A	\$2.00	Boudreux Delia	2.00
Brooks Ella	2.00	Elliott John	2.00
Baker Oscar	2.00	Elliott Mildred	2.00

Total			<hr/> \$12.00
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Poll Taxes Uncollected for the year 1931

Brooks Ella	\$2.00	Foote Ethel	2.00
Coates E G	2.00	Palmer James	2.00
Coates Mrs. E G	2.00	Smith William	2.00
Corey Royal	2.00	Smith Mrs. Wm	2.00
Corey W	2.00	Shaw Ralph	2.00
Foote Everett	2.00	Evans Harry	2.00

Total			<hr/> \$24.00
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The following is a list of Uncollected Taxes previous to the year 1931. Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector.

Dickey Everett	\$2.00	Buffum Wayne	3.07
Dickey Ethel	2.00	Prue W	2.00
Lizzott Teles	2.00	Dumont Louise	2.00
Mealy Demis	2.00	Flanders L M	2.00
Paris Michael	2.00	Flanders Carl	2.00
Paris Violet	2.00	Murray James	6.62
Paris Clarence	2.00	Watson, Mr. and	
Paris Dorothy	2.00	Mrs. R M	4.00
Paris Chesley	2.00	Whitcher Mr. and	
Paris Peter	2.00	Mrs. Clifton	5.51
Paris Eva	2.00		

Total			<hr/> \$49.20
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Floyd J. Hutchins, Collector.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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**For the Year Ending January 31st, 1934**

Cash on hand February 1st, 1933	\$1519.91
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1930 Tax Sales Redeemed	311.51
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1930 Costs and Interest	58.64
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1931 Tax Sales Redeemed	441.46
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1931 Costs and Interest	82.12
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1932 Taxes	977.65
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1932 Interest	58.59
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1933 Taxes	2484.57
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1933 Interest	2.44
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1933 Dog Tax	71.33
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1933 Motor Vehicle Permits	71.13
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1934 Motor Vehicle Permits	128.24
From State Account State Aid Construction	913.31
From State Account	
Emergency Relief Unemployment Fund	637.77
From State Account Fire Warden Conference	6.00
From State Account, Forest Reserve	61.25
From State Account State Tax Abatement	726.01
From State Account Railroad Tax	34.75
From State Account Savings Bank Tax	54.97
From State Account Interest and Dividend Tax	8.80
From John E. Cox Interest on Note	7.28
From Income of Trust Funds	243.75



From Ben Elliott and Harry Bellan	
Rent Town Hall	6.00
From Grafton County Commissioners	
Account County Poor	63.51
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	\$8970.99
 Total Payments Selectmen's Orders Paid	 7430.62
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Balance on hand February 1, 1934	1540.37
Cash	1418.97
John E. Cox Note	121.40
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TOTAL	\$1540.37

## ASSETS

## Cash:

## Accounts Due to the Town:

In hands of Treasurer	\$1,540.37
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Due from State Bounties paid out	84.80
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Taxes bought by Town	346 88
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## Uncollected Taxes

(a) Levy of 1933	\$612.59
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(b) Levy of 1932	33.13
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(c) Levy of 1931	24.00
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(d) Levy of Previous years	49.20	718.92
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Total Assets	\$2,690 97
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Grand Total	\$2,690 97
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Net Surplus, January 31, 1933	1,065.27
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Net Surplus, January 31, 1934	1,549.85
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Increase of Surplus	484.58
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## LIABILITIES

## Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due School District:

Dog Licenses 1933	\$ 71.33
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Balance Appropriation 1933	878.35
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Trust Funds 1933	97.88
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Forest Reserve 1933	30.63
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	\$1,078.19
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Due Trustees of Benton Trust Funds

unexpended balance, increased accumulation	62.93
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Total Liabilities	\$1,141 12
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Excess of Assets over Liabilities ("Surplus")	1,549.85
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Grand Total	\$2,690.97
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## RECEIPTS

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**Current Revenue:****From Local Taxes:**

Property Taxes committed to Coll'ct'r 1933	\$2,889.16
Less uncollected, 1933	576.59
Property Taxes 1933 actually collected	2,312.57
Poll Taxes for 1933 actually collected	
86 @ \$2.00	172.00
Property and Poll Taxes previous	
years actually collected	977.65
Total of above Collections	\$3,462.22

Tax Sales redeemed	893.73
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**From State:**

Emergency Relief Unemployed, H'ghwy main.	637.77
For State Aid Construction	913.31
Interest and Dividend Tax	8.80
Railroad Tax	34.75
Savings Bank Tax	54.97
Abatement, State Tax	726.01
Acct. Fire Warden Conference	6.00

**From County:**

For Support of Poor	63.51
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**From Local Sources, Except Taxes:**

Dog Licenses	71.33
Rent of Town Property	6.00
Interest Received on Taxes	61.03
Interest John Cox Note	7.28
Income from Trust Funds	243.75
Motor Vehicles Permits year 1933	71.13
Motor Vehicles Permits year 1934	128.24
National Forest Reserve	61.25

Total Receipts from all sources	\$7,451.08
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Cash on hand February 1st, 1933	1,519.91
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8,970.99</b>
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**PAYMENTS**

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**Current Maintenance Expenses:****General Government:****Detail**

1 Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 267.15
2 Town Officers' Expenses	88.29
3 Election and Registration	49.50
4 Town Hall	15.00

**Protection of Persons and Property:**

5 Police Department	
including care of Tramps	\$11.75
6 Bounties paid out	84.80
7 Fire Department	
including Forest Fires	12.00

**Health Department:**

8 Health Department	\$5.00
9 Vital Statistics	3.00

**Highways and Bridges:**

10 Town maintenance	\$603.06
11 Snow Removal, Sanding	639.26
12 Emergency Relief Unemployment	638.65

**Libraries:**

13 Library	\$30.00
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**Charities:**

14 County Poor	\$63.51
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**Patriotic Purposes:**

15 Memorial Day exercises	\$2.88
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**Public Service Enterprises:**

16 Cemeteries	\$96.50
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**Unclassified:**

17 Taxes bought by town	\$136.56
18 Discounts and Abatements	25.64

**Interest:**

19 Paid on Temporary Loans, Anticipation Taxes	\$11.11
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Paid on Long Term Notes	51.25
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<b>Total Interest Payments</b>	<b>\$62.36</b>
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**Outlay For New Construction:**

20 State Aid Construction	\$1,154.85
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<b>Total Outlay Payments</b>	<b>\$1,154.85</b>
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**Indebtedness:**

21 Payments on Temporary Loans received in 1932	\$ 500.00
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Woodsville Savings Bank Payments on Long Term Notes	1000.00
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<b>Total Indebtedness Payments</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>
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**Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:**

22 Taxes paid to State	\$325.00
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Taxes paid to County	315.86
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Payments to School District	1300.00
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<b>Total Payments to Other Gov. Divisions</b>	<b>\$1,940.86</b>
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<b>Total Payments for all Purposes</b>	<b>\$7,430.62</b>
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Cash on hand February 1st, 1934	1,540.37
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8,970.99</b>
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**DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**
**General Government****Detail No. 1, Town Officers' Salaries**

Walter J. Yeaton, Selectman	\$ 47.00
John Boutin, Selectman	30.00
Ira E. Elliott, Selectman	9.00
Herman A. Morrill, Selectman	18.00
John Cox, Treasurer	26.00
Edith J. Yeaton, Treasurer	9.00
Floyd J. Hutchins, Tax Collector	35.00
Floyd J. Hutchins, Town Clerk	50.00
Floyd J. Hutchins, Tax Sales Fees	15.60
Floyd J. Hutchins, Motor Vehicle Fees for 1933 and 1934	15.75
Floyd J. Hutchins, Dog Fees	5.80
Floyd J. Hutchins, Called to attend Tax Commission Meeting	3.00
Lester W. Noxon, Auditor for 1932	3.00
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	\$267.15

**Detail No. 2, Town Officers' Expenses**

Edson Eastman Co., Dog Tags and Blanks	\$ 6.37
W. J. Randolph, Transfer of Deeds	1.26
Woodsville Publishing Co., Printing Town Reports	48.69
F. J. Hutchins, Auto to State Tax Commission Meeting	2.50
F. J. Hutchins, for stamps	6.02
Bailey's Tavern, Dinners for Selectmen	2.25
W. J. Yeaton, Auto Assessing Taxes, So. Benton	5.92
W. J. Yeaton, Auto Attend Emergency Relief Unemployed Meeting Lebanon	8.72

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W. J. Yeaton, Stamps used	3.26
John Boutin, Dinners, Tax Commission Meeting	1.00
Edith J. Yeaton, Stamps used	.30
John Cox, for Stamps	2.00

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\$89.29

#### Detail No. 3, Election and Registration

Harry H. Elliott, Supervisor Balance 1932	\$ 4.50
Harry H. Elliott, Supervisor	9.00
Charles C. Tyler, Supervisor	9.00
Stephen H. Dexter, Supervisor	9.00
Ira E. Elliott, Moderator	6.00
Leander A. Collins, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Napoleon Burke, Ballot Clerk	3.00
John E. Cox, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Alfred U. Marden, Ballot Clerk	3.00

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\$49.50

#### Detail No. 4, Town Hall

Ione Cox, Dinners for Town	
Meeting March 1933	\$10.00
Mildred Elliott, Cleaning Town Hall	3.00
Benjamin Elliott, Cleaning Town Hall	2.00

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\$15.00

#### Detail No. 5, Police Department

Carl G. Eastman, Constable	\$5.00
Ethel Boutin, Feeding and Lodging Tramps	6.75

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\$11.75

#### Detail No. 6, Bounties

Bounties paid by Town not returned by State	\$84.80
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**Detail No. 7, Fire Department including Forest Fires**

E. A. Marden, 1 day attend Warden's	
Conference at Plymouth	\$3.00
E. A. Marden, Dinner at Warden's Con.	1.00
E. A. Marden, Auto to Conference at Plymouth	8.00

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Total	\$12.00
Received from State	6.00

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Cost to Town	\$6.00
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**Detail No. 8, Health Department**

Leander A. Collins, Health Officer	\$5.00
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**Detail No. 9, Vital Statistics**

H. E. Siske, 5 deaths	\$1.25
R. M. Deming, 1 death	.25
L E McKinley, 2 deaths	.50
S. A. Blodgett, 4 births	1.00

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 \$3.00
**Detail No. 10, Town Road Maintenance****John E. Cox, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
John E. Cox	227	\$ 75.69
John E. Cox, team with driver	148½	99.00
Roland McKean	40	13.33
S. H. Dexter with truck	14	14.00
S. H. Dexter with team	18	12.00
S. H. Dexter, 10 yds gravel @ .15		1.50
John Elliott	112	37.33
A. U. Marden with team	108	72.00
A. U. Marden with truck	40	31.11
F. J. Hutchins	30	10.00
F. J. Hutchins, horses	18	6.00
John Boutin	36	12.00
John Boutin with team	18	12.00

	Hours	Amount
John Boutin with truck	11	14.00
N. Burke	4½	1.50
R. M. Tewksbury	148	49.33
I. E. Elliott with truck	18	18.00
H. A. Rines	58	19.34
F. O. Rollins	45	15.00
H. A. Morrill	4	1.33
L. W. Noxon	4	1.33
Howard Tyler	24	8.00
F. J. Hutchins with Elliott's truck	4	4.00
Carl Eastman	26	8.67
Napoleon Boutin	4	1.33
Arthur Boutin	9	3.00
A. E. Houston, dynamite		7.50
W. F. Pike, repairing drills and twine		3.00
		<hr/> \$551.29

#### South Benton, Ernest T. Page, Agent

	Hours	Amount
Ernest T. Page	14½	4.73
E. T. Page and team	26	17.32
E. T. Page with truck	5½	4.42
E. T. Page, 85 ft. Plank		2.98
E. T. Page, 15 yds gravel @ .10		1.50
A. Fillian	14	4.66
A. Fillian with team	7	4.66
A. Fillian, 20 yds gravel @ .10		2.00
Joe Prue with team	14½	9.50
		<hr/> \$51.77

#### Summary

J. E. Cox, Agent	\$551.29
E. T. Page, Agent	51.77
	<hr/> \$603.06

**Detail No. 11, Snow Removal****John E. Cox, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
John E. Cox	66½	\$ 22.16
John E. Cox team with driver	49½	23.99
John Cox truck with man	5	3.00
John Boutin truck with plow	89½	179.00
John Boutin team with driver	16	10.64
John Boutin horses only	18	6.00
A. U. Marden with driver	9	6.00
Napoleon Boutin	37	12.33
Joseph Boutin Jr.	29	9.66
Arthur Boutin	31	10.33
F. J. Hutchins	8	2.67
Harry Rines	11	3.67
S. H. Dexter	3	1.00
John Elliott	8	2.67
F. O. Rollins	10	3.33
George Ramsey	10	3.33
L. E. Mason repairs to snow plow		5.15
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		\$313.93

**Sanding, J. E. Cox, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
I. E. Elliott with truck	6	6.00
I. E. Elliott	5	1.60
R. M. Tewksbury	3	1.00
Ben Elliott	3	1.00
R. McKean	3	1.00
A. U. Marden with truck	3	2.33
F. J. Hutchins with Elliott's truck	4	4.00
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		\$16.93

**Snow Removal, Napoleon Boutin, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
Napoleon Boutin truck with plow	52	\$104.00
Carl Eastman	54	17.98
John Elliott	10	3.34
F. J. Hutchins	13	4.33
H. A. Morrill	9	3.00
Woodsville Garage, Tire Chains for plowing		30.00
		<hr/> \$162.65

**Sanding, Napoleon Boutin, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
Napoleon Boutin with truck	53½	61.45
F. J. Hutchins	25½	8.50
H. A. Rines	24	8.00
Roland McKean	10½	3.50
Lester W. Noxon	25½	8.50
Carl Eastman	44½	14.82
Napoleon Paradie	26	8.65
		<hr/> \$113.42

**Snow Removal, E. T. Page, Agent**

	Hours	Amount
Joe Prue with team	25	17.00
A. Fillian	27	9.00
E. T. Page	22	7.33
		<hr/> \$33.33

**Summary for Snow Removal and Sanding**

Snow Removal Cox	\$313.93
Snow Removal Boutin	162.65
Snow Removal Page	33.33
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Total Cost of Snow Removal	\$509.91



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Sanding Cox	\$ 16.93
Sanding, Boutin	113.42

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\$130.35

Total Cost, Snow Removal and Sanding	\$639.26
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**Detail No. 12, Emergency Relief Unemployed  
Highway Maintenance**

**John E. Cox in charge**

	Hours	Amount
John E. Cox	279	108.02
John Cox team with driver	79½	41.12
John Elliott	83	27.67
Herman A. Morrill	201	67.01
John Gilman	74	24.67
Harry Rines	69	23.00
R. McKean	103	34.34
F. O. Rollins	62½	20.88
F. J. Hutchins	62	20.66
N. Burke	74	24.67
C. C. Tyler	13	4.33
R. M. Tewksbury	114	38.01
C. G. Eastman	47	15.67
F. J. Hutchins with I. E. Elliott's truck	42	42.00
S. H. Dexter	59	59.00
A. U. Marden with truck	59	45.89
L. W. Noxon	41	13.67
Howard Tyler	23	7.67
Alfred E. Houston dynamite		20.37

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 \$638.65

Received from State

637.77

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 Cost to Town

.88

**Detail No. 13, Libraries**

Catherine Eastman, Librarian	\$12.00
To Trustees Benton Town Library Account	
Unpaid Appropriations to date	18.00
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	\$30.00

**Detail No. 14, Charities**

John Gilman, Medical help, account being injured in shooting affair of Royal Corey County of Grafton, A County Charge	\$63.51
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**Detail No. 15, Patriotic Purposes**

The Stymest Co., Bath, N. H.	
Supplies for Memorial Day	\$2.88

**Detail No. 16, Public Service**

	Hours	Amount
Charles C. Tyler, Sexton Services, Mt. View and East Side Cemeteries	152	\$ 50.67
Napoleon Parodie helping Sexton	9	3.00
Cutting Brush and Cost of New Fence		
Charles C. Tyler	39	10.66
John G. Elliott	9	3.00
Roscoe M. Tewksbury	9	3.00
Carl G. Eastman	5	1.67
Charles C. Tyler 30 posts		7.50
Charles C. Tyler paint and brush		1.30
Butler Bros., 150 feet of fence		9.80
Boston and Maine Railroad freight on fence		.60
Ernest G. Coates, Sexton service, South Benton	16	5.30
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		\$96.50
Received from Trust Funds for Cemeteries		48.00
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Cost to Town		\$48.50

**Detail No. 17, Unclassified**

Taxes Bought by the Town	\$136.56
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**Detail No. 18, Abatements**

Property and Poll Taxes Abated	\$25.64
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3 Polls over age	
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1 Poll under age	
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4 Polls paid elsewhere	
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1 Poll veteran of World War	
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2 Polls years 1932 and 1933 Legitimate Abatements	
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2 Properties 1932 and 1933 Legitimate Abatements	
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**Detail No. 19, Interest**

Woodsville Savings Bank,	
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Interest Temporary Loan	\$11.11
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Woodsville Savings Bank,	
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Interest Long Term Note	51.25
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Total	\$62.36
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**Detail No. 20, State Aid Construction****John E. Cox, Foreman**

	Hours	Amount
John E. Cox	167	64.94
John Cox team with driver	77	51.33
A. U. Marden	54	18.00
A. U. Marden with truck	99	77.00
F. J. Hutchins	85½	28.50
H. A. Rines	126	39.00
Arthur Boutin	108	36.00
George Ramsey	54	18.00
N. Burke	85½	28.50
L. W. Noxon	90	30.00
N. Boutin	45	15.00
N. Boutin with truck	99	132.00
Carl Eastman	90	30.00
C. C. Hill	86	28.67

	Hours	Amount
Napoleon Paradie	63	21.00
R. M. Tewksbury	146½	48.83
John Boutin	9	3.00
John Boutin with truck	93	123.98
John Boutin with driver	45	30.00
F. O. Rollins	108	36.00
Joe Boutin	22½	7.50
S. H. Dexter with team	18	12.00
S. H. Dexter with truck	99	99.00
S. H. Dexter 226 yds gravel @ .10		22.60
John Elliott with I. E. Elliott's truck	94	94.00
John Gilman	54	18.00
Howard Tyler	63	21.00
Roland McKean	63	21.00

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 \$1,154.85

Received from the State

913.31

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 Cost to Town

\$241.54

**Detail No. 21, Indebtedness**

Woodsville Savings Bank Temporary Loan	\$ 500.00
Woodsville Savings Bank Long Term Note	1000.00

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 Total

\$1,500.00

**Detail No. 22, Payments to other Gov. Divisions**

Harry S. Huckins, County Treasurer

County Tax

\$ 315.86

Charles T. Patten, State Treasurer

State Tax

325.00

Margaret Elliott, Treasurer School District 1300.00

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 \$1,940.86



## TRUSTEES REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

For the Period Ending January 31st, 1934

Received of the Ira Whitcher Fund, interest on  
\$500.00 U. S. Bond for Cemeteries

Interest	\$23.50	To Town Treasurer	
on hand	21.25	for cemeteries.	\$21.25
	<u>          </u>	Balance	23.50
	\$44.75		<u>          </u>
			\$44.75

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest  
on \$500.00 U. S. Bond for Cemeteries, Balance  
Schools and Highways

Interest	\$21.25	To Town Treasurer	
	<u>          </u>	for cemeteries	\$ 6.25
	\$21.25	for school	7.50
		for highways	7.50
			<u>          </u>
			\$21.25

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest  
on \$1,000.00 U. S. Bond, care of lots, Balance to  
Schools and Highways

Interest	\$42.50	To Town Treasurer	
	<u>          </u>	for cemeteries	\$10.50
	\$42.50	for schools	16.00
		for highways	16.00
			<u>          </u>
			\$42.50

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest  
on \$1,750.00 U. S. Bond for Schools

Interest	\$74.38	To Town Treasurer	
		for schools	\$74.38

Received of Whitcher and Mann Fund interest  
on \$1,750.00 U. S. Bond for Highways

Interest	\$74.37	for highways	\$74.37
		To Town Treasurer	

Received from L. H. Parker Fund consisting of  
field rent of same to be applied care of Cemeteries

Rent of field 1932	\$5.00	To Town Treasurer	
Rent of field 1933	5.00	for cemeteries	\$10.00
	<u>\$10.00</u>		<u>\$10.00</u>

The Geo. H. Clark Fund of \$200.00 with Balance 9.97

The J. C. Speed Fund of \$137.41 with Balance 10.29

The Betsey Kendall Fund \$200.00 with Balance 19.17

The Jonathan Davis Fund \$50.00 no Balance

The W. T. Torsey Fund \$50.00 no Balance

The above five Funds remain inactive in Lisbon  
Bank and Trust Co. on account of that bank being in  
progress of reorganization

There remains on deposit with Town Treasurer  
of Benton January 31st, 1934, a balance of \$62.93  
Trust Funds subject to call of Trustees of Trust  
Funds for the Town of Benton.

W. J. YEATON,  
JOHN E. COX,  
STEPHEN H. DEXTER,  
Trustees of Benton Trust Funds

### AUDITORS REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen,  
Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and all others  
and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

February 6, 1934

LESTER W. NOXON.

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**REPORT FOR BENTON TOWN LIBRARY**

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**For The Year 1933**

Books added by gift	100
Books in Library, January 31, 1934	416
Books in circulation	162
Books borrowed from State	
Library in circulation	200

CATHERINE EASTMAN, Librarian

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**FINANCIAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES**

Cash on hand January 31, 1933	\$48.21
Postage on Books borrowed from	
State Library	1.36
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	\$46.85
Received from Town	18.00
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Cash on hand January 31, 1934	\$64.85

FRANCES J. COX,

CATHERINE EASTMAN,

Library Trustees

# Benton School Report

## FINANCIAL REPORT

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Of The Benton School District For The Fiscal Year  
Beginning July 1, 1932, and ending June 30, 1933

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, Chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

EDWARD A. JANES, Superintendent

IRA E. ELLIOTT,

IONE A. COX,

EDITH J. YEATON,

June 30, 1933

School Board



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RECEIPTS

## State and Federal Aid:

Equalization fund for elementary

schools (from state) \$448.26

National forest reserve (school's

half from Selectmen) 263.16

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Total \$711.42

## Income From Local Taxation:

(raised by Selectmen)

For the support of elementary

schools \$306.27

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Total \$306.27

## From Sources Other Than Taxation

Dog Licenses (from Selectmen) \$ 63.00

Elementary school tuitions 103.00

Income from local trust funds 101.80

1931 Appropriation 715.77

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Total \$983.57

Total receipts from all sources \$2,001.26

Cash on hand at beginning of  
year, July 1, 1932

38.15

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GRAND TOTAL \$2,039.41

PAYMENTS

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## Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$ 33.00
Superintendent's excess salary	64.00
Truant Officer and School Census	5.00
Expenses of administration	5.39

## Instruction

Principal's and teachers' salaries	\$ 966.55
Text books	24.53
Scholars' supplies	24.55
Other expenses of instruction	3.46

## Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor service	\$ 35.50
Fuel	21.00
Water, light, janitor's supplies	8.62
Minor repairs and expenses	105.76

## Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical inspection, Health supervision	\$ 34.90
Transportation of pupils	216.00
High school and academy tuition	266.24
Elementary school tuition	86.00

## Fixed Charges

Tax for state wide supervision (\$2 per capita)	\$ 66.00
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## Outlay For Construction and Equipment

New equipment	\$ 7.00
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Total Payments For All Purposes	\$1,973.50
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Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1933)	65.91
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GRAND TOTAL	\$2,039.41
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**BALANCE SHEET**

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**ASSETS****June 30, 1933**

Cash on hand:	
Balance June 30, 1933	\$ 65.91
Accounts due to district:	
Town appropriation 1932	593.73
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Total Assets	\$659.64
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Grand Total	\$659.64

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**LIABILITIES****June 30, 1933**

Equalization fund (unexpended)	\$448.26
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Total Liabilities	448.26
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	211.38
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Grand Total	\$659.64

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**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Benton, N. H., of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1933, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

June 30, 1933.           FLOYD J. HUTCHINS, Auditor.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

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Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1933

School District of Benton

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## SUMMARY:

Cash on hand June 30, 1932 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$ 38.15
Received from selectmen, Appropriations for current year	\$306.27
Balance previous appropriations	715.77
Dog tax	63.00
Income from trust funds	101.80
Received from State Treasurer (State or Federal Aid)	448.26
Received from all other sources	366.16
	<hr/> \$2001.26
Total amount available for fiscal year (Balance and Receipts)	2039.41
Less school board orders paid	1973.50
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1933 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$65.91

MARGARET E. ELLIOTT,

June 30, 1933

District Treasurer.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS**

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1932

Sep. 12 Town Treasurer	\$200.00
Sep. 12 Town of Bath, tuition	24.00
Oct. 29 Town of Landaff, tuition	7.00
Nov. 7 Town Treasurer	300.00
Dec. 12 Town Treasurer	150.00
Dec. 22 Town of Bath, tuition	24.00

1933

Jan. 6 Town Treasurer, school money	250.00
Feb. 9 Town Treasurer, school money	250.00
Apr. 12 Town Treasurer, school money	300.00
Apr. 27 Town of Bath, tuition	24.00
Apr. 27 State Treasurer, State Aid	448.26
Jun. 24 Town of Bath, tuition	24.00

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Total Receipts During Year	\$2,001.26
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**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

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This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Benton, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1933, and find them correct in all respects.

June 30, 1933.

FLOYD J. HUTCHINS, Auditor.



### Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Board and Citizens of Benton:

I herewith present my fourth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

During the year 1932-1933 the enrollment at the Benton Street School was 32. Two of this number were non-residents for whom tuition was received. In addition to those in the town school, the district paid tuition for 3 elementary and 3 high school pupils who attended schools in other towns. The per cent of attendance was 91.45; cases of tardiness, 58; school visits by board members, 2; by superintendent, 26; by citizens, 10. In April, after three years of successful teaching, Mrs. Ruby C. Beecher resigned, and Miss Edna Holmes of Gorham came to take her place.

This year the enrollment has been 37. The teacher is Miss Edna Holmes. The moving away of a number of children has kept the actual number at any one time small enough so there has always been room for all in attendance. It is very desirable to continue to qualify for state aid and to have state funds available for unexpected expenses. This has happened this year when several hundred dollars more transportation than was anticipated was called for.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Janes.

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**SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1934—1935**

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School District of Benton, N. H.

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1934.

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**Detailed Statement of Expenditures****\*Support of Schools:**

Teachers' Salaries	\$828.00
Text Books	25.00
Scholars' Supplies	35.00
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00
Other Expenses of Instruction	5.00
Janitor Service	36.00
Fuel	35.00
Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	10.00
Minor Repairs and Expenses	40.00
Health Supervision (Medical Inspection)	35.00
Transportation of Pupils	360.00
Payment of Elementary Tuitions	108.00
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	\$1,522.00

**Other Statutory Requirements**

Salaries of District Officers	
(Fixed by District)	\$ 30.00
Truant Officer and School Census	
(Fixed by District)	6.00
Payment of Tuitions in High Schools and	
Academies (Estimated by Board)	546.00

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Superintendent's Excess Salary (Fixed by Supervisory Union)	58.00
Per Capita Tax (Reported by State Treas.)	72.00
Other obligations	10.00
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	\$722.00

Total amount required to meet School Board's Budget	\$2,244.00
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### Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30, 1934 (Estimate)	360.00
State Aid (December 1934 Allotment)	450.00
Dog Tax (Estimate)	30.00
Income from Trust Funds (Estimate)	100.00
Elementary School Tuition Receipts (Est.)	108.00
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Deduct Total Estimated Income (not raised by taxation)	\$1,048.00
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Assessment required to Balance School Board's Budget	\$1,196.00
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IRA E. ELLIOTT,

EDITH J. YEATON,

School Board.

February 7, 1934, Benton, N. H.

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\*3.50 per \$1,000 of taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

To apply for state aid \$916.55 must be raised for elementary schools.

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**VITAL STATISTICS**

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**Births Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H.,  
For The Year Ending January 31, 1934**

Charlotte Violet Elliott, born March 6, 1933, 4th child, living, female, white; father's name, Ira E. Elliott, occupation farmer, birthplace of father, Benton, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Margaret E. Pierce, birthplace of mother, Concord, N. H.

Marland John Coates, born August 22, 1933, 2nd child, living, male, white; father's name, John G. Coates, occupation, farmer, birthplace of father, Haverhill, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Elizabeth E. Wilson, birthplace of mother, Haverhill, N. H.

Ruth Olive Elliott, born September 19, 1933, 10th child, living, female, white; father's name, John G. Elliott, occupation, laborer, birthplace of father, Benton, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Mildred A. Ball, birthplace of mother, Landaff, N. H.

Amos Joseph Locke, born January 4, 1933, 5th child, living, male, white; father's name, Tony P. Locke, occupation, farmer, birthplace of father, Lyman, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Ethel R. Coates, birthplace of mother, Haverhill, N. H.

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H.,  
For The Year Ending January 31, 1934**

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Kendrick L. Howe, died March 24, 1933; age 77 yrs. 12da.; born at Benton, N. H., white, widower; father's name Daniel M. Howe; mother's maiden name Susan Clough; cause of death, Arteris Sclerosis.

Stephen Zwolinski, died April 14, 1933; age 23 yrs. 6mo. 14da.; born at Exeter, N. H., white, single; father's name Stephen Zwolinski; mother's maiden name Nellie Caprowitch; cause of death, Pulmonary Hemorrhage.

Nicholas Dolkos, died July 8, 1933; age 38yrs. 10mo. 3da.; born in Greece; white, single; father's name Arthur Dolkos; maiden name of mother unknown; cause of death, Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Leander A. Collins, died October 20, 1933; age 62yrs. 25da.; born at Benton, N. H., white married; father's name Charles Collins; maiden name of mother Sarah Pike; cause of death, Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Rose Legasse, died October 10, 1933; age 38yrs. 3mo. 23da.; born Salmon Falls, N. H., white, single; father's name August Legasse; maiden name of mother Mary Pelliter; cause of death, Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

J. Francis Callahan, died November 1, 1933; age 32yrs. 11mo. 1da.; born at Manchester, N. H., white, single; father's name John H. Callahan; maiden name of mother Margaret Curtin; cause of death, Chronic Intestinal Nephritis.



Orton Merrill, died November 26, 1933; age 53 yrs. 9mo. 13da.; born at Pittsburg, N. H., white, married; father's name David Merrill; maiden name of mother Hattie Mairs; cause of death, Bronchial Pneumonia.

Mary E. Malley, died November 28, 1933; age 61 yrs. 5da.; born at Boston, Mass., white, single; father's name James Malley; maiden name of mother Mary Murphy; cause of death, Chronic Endocarditis.

Jennie Spooner Cox, died January 1, 1934; age 75 yrs. 9mo. 19da.; born at Benton, N. H., white, widow father's name Alonzo A. Spooner; maiden name of mother Mary Jane Benette; cause of death, Arteris Sclerosis.

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FLOYD J. HUTCHINS, Town Clerk.





















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